

bill (H.R. 823) to provide for the designation of certain wilderness areas, recreation management areas, and conservation areas in the State of Colorado; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1373) to protect, for current and future generations, the watershed, ecosystem, and cultural heritage of the Grand Canyon region in the State of Arizona; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2181) to provide for the withdrawal and protection of certain Federal land in the State of New Mexico, by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 590, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 589.

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**Affirming the United States record on the Armenian Genocide:** The House agreed to H. Res. 296, affirming the United States record on the Armenian Genocide, by a yea-and-nay vote of 405 yeas to 11 nays with 3 answering “present”, Roll No. 591.

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H. Res. 655, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 296) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 588, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 587.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Protect Against Conflict by Turkey Act:** H.R. 4695, amended, to impose sanctions with respect to Turkey, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 592;

**Pages H8568–76, H8584–85**

**Help America Run Act:** H.R. 1623, amended, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for the treatment of payments for child care and other personal use services as an authorized campaign expenditure;

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**SFC Sean Cooley and SPC Christopher Horton Congressional Gold Star Family Fellowship Program Act:** H. Res. 107, amended, establishing the Congressional Gold Star Family Fellowship Program for the placement in offices of Members of the House of Representatives of children, spouses, and siblings of members of the Armed Forces who are hostile casualties or who have died from a training-related injury;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Establishing the Congressional Gold Star Family Fellowship Program for the placement in offices of Members of the House of Representatives of children, spouses, and siblings of members of the Armed Forces who die in the line of duty or certain veterans who die from service-connected disabilities.”; and

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**Expositions Provide Opportunities Act of 2019:** H.R. 4842, amended, to authorize the Secretary of State to provide funds for a United States pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai.

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**Senate Referral:** S. 134 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H8559.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8557, H8557–58, H8558–59, H8559, H8583–84, and H8584–85. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FUTURE OF DEFENSE TASK FORCE HEARING: THEORIES OF VICTORY

**Committee on Armed Services:** Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Future of Defense Task Force Hearing: Theories of Victory”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

**Committee on Education and Labor:** Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 4674, the “College Affordability Act”.

### REPURPOSING THE C-BAND TO BENEFIT ALL AMERICANS

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing entitled “Repurposing the C-Band to Benefit all Americans”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### PROTECTING THE RFS: THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION’S ABUSE OF SECRET WAIVERS

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a hearing entitled “Protecting the RFS: The Trump Administration’s Abuse of Secret Waivers”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### REAUTHORIZATION BRAND USA AND THE U.S. SAFE WEB ACT

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce held a hearing entitled “Reauthorization Brand USA and the U.S. SAFE WEB Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## FINANCIAL SERVICES AND THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY: A REVIEW OF DISCRIMINATION IN LENDING AND HOUSING

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Financial Services and the LGBTQ+ Community: A Review of Discrimination in Lending and Housing”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 4458, the “Cybersecurity and Financial System Resilience Act”; H.R. 4634, the “Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2019”; H.R. 4841, the “Prudential Regulator Oversight Act”; and H.R. 4863, the “United States Export Finance Agency Act of 2019”.

## THE FY20 BUDGET: EXAMINING THE ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY OBJECTIVES FOR A TURBULENT MIDDLE EAST

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism held a hearing entitled “The FY20 Budget: Examining the Administration's Policy Objectives for a Turbulent Middle East”. Testimony was heard from David Schenker, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and Michael T. Harvey, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for the Middle East, U.S. Agency for International Development.

## ONE YEAR LATER: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TSA MODERNIZATION ACT

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “One Year Later: Implementation of the TSA Modernization Act”. Testimony was heard from Patricia F.S. Cogswell, Acting Deputy Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security; and William Russell, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office.

## ANTITRUST AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY: COMPETITION IN LABOR MARKETS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law held a hearing entitled “Antitrust and Economic Opportunity: Competition in Labor Markets”. Testimony was heard from Noah Phillips, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; Doha Mekki, Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Rahul Rao, Assistant Attorney General, Washington

State Office of the Attorney General; and public witnesses.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship held a business meeting on the Request for a Department of Homeland Security Departmental Report on the Beneficiaries of H.R. 631. The Request for a Department of Homeland Security Departmental Report on the Beneficiaries of H.R. 631 was agreed to.

## THE IMPACT OF CURRENT IMMIGRATION POLICIES ON SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS, AND THEIR FAMILIES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship held a hearing entitled “The Impact of Current Immigration Policies on Service Members and Veterans, and their Families”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 139, the “Springfield Race Riot National Historic Monument Act”; H.R. 486, the “Chicano Park Preservation Act”; H.R. 3250, the “Julius Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools Act of 2019”; H.R. 3824, the “Cahokia Mounds Mississippian Culture National Historical Park Act”; and H.R. 4139, to provide for the boundary of the Palo Alto Battlefield National Historic Park to be adjusted, to authorize the donation of land to the United States for addition to that historic park, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rodney Davis of Illinois, Vargas, Danny K. Davis of Illinois, Vela, and Bost; R. David Vela, Deputy Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Juan Mendez III, Mayor, Brownsville, Texas; and public witnesses.

## A SEA OF PROBLEMS: IMPACTS OF PLASTIC POLLUTION ON OCEANS AND WILDLIFE

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing entitled “A Sea of Problems: Impacts of Plastic Pollution on Oceans and Wildlife”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## TRUMP'S WRONG TURN ON CLEAN CARS: THE EFFECTS OF FUEL EFFICIENCY ROLLBACKS ON THE CLIMATE, CAR COMPANIES AND CALIFORNIA

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “Trump's Wrong Turn on Clean Cars: The Effects of Fuel Efficiency Rollbacks on the Climate, Car Companies and

California". Testimony was heard from Senator Whitehouse; Samuel Liccardo, Mayor, San José, California; and public witnesses.

## CREATING THE CLEAN ENERGY WORKFORCE

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Innovation and Workforce Development held a hearing entitled "Creating the Clean Energy Workforce". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1497, the "Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2019"; H.R. 4719, the "FISH SAFE Act"; and H. Con. Res. 37, expressing support for designation of October 28 as "Honoring the Nation's First Responders Day". H.R. 1497 and H.R. 4719 were ordered reported, as amended. H. Con. Res. 37 was ordered reported, without amendment.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4852, the "GIVE Act"; H.R. 4356, the "Protecting Families of Fallen Servicemembers Act"; H.R. 4183, the "Identifying Barriers and Best Practices Study Act"; H.R. 4360, the "VA Overpayment Accountability Act"; H.R. 3996, the "VA Design-Build Construction Enhancement Act of 2019"; H.R. 1424, the "Fallen Warrior Battlefield Cross Memorial Act"; H.R. 3224, the "Deborah Sampson Act"; H.R. 4771, to permit appellants to appear in disability compensation cases before the Board of Veterans Appeals by picture and voice transmission from locations other than VA facilities; H.R. 2227, the "Gold Star Spouses and Spouses of Injured Servicemembers Leasing Relief Expansion Act of 2019"; and H.R. 3530, the "Improving Confidence in Veterans Care Act". H.R. 4771, H.R. 2227, H.R. 4183, H.R. 3530, and H.R. 3224 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4852, H.R. 4356, H.R. 4360, H.R. 3996, H.R. 1424, were ordered reported, without amendment.

## PROTECTING WHISTLEBLOWERS AND PROMOTING ACCOUNTABILITY: IS VA DOING ITS JOB?

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Protecting Whistleblowers and Promoting Accountability: Is VA Doing Its Job?". Testimony was heard from Tamara Bonzanto, Assistant Secretary for Accountability and Whistleblower Protection, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Michael Missal, Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, 2 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine the use of technology and innovation to increase water security and enable economic development in the West, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Sean O'Donnell, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine Medicaid, focusing on compliance with eligibility requirements, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John Joseph Sullivan, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine the unauthorized and unaccountable government, 1:45 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patrick J. Bumatay, of California, and Lawrence VanDyke, of Nevada, both to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Philip M. Halpern, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Barbara Bailey Jongbloed, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine promoting the useful arts, focusing on how Congress can prevent the issuance of poor quality patents, 2 p.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4895, to reauthorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research, hearing entitled "Reviewing the State of Organic Agriculture—Producer Perspectives", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Full Committee, continue markup on H.R. 4674, the "College Affordability Act", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Safeguarding Pharmaceutical